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WATERTOWN, *October* 6.

YESTERDAY afternoon paſſed through this town, on their way to Cambridge, the honourable B. Franklin, Thomas Lynch, and Benjamin Harriſon, eſquires, a committee from the honourable continental congreſs, now ſitting at Philadelphia.

Captain Coffin, arrived laſt week at Nantucket from London, has brought prints to the 19th of Auguſt, which are not yet come to hand. We hear he brings an account that 5 regiments were ſoon to embark for Boſton, no more being talked of, and that Mr. Pitt lay at the point of death.

The following is a copy of a letter from a principal officer of the New Hampſhire troops.

CAMP *near* SAINT JOHN'S, *September* 23.

"We are now encamped within a mile of Saint John's; the enemy are every day throwing ſhells or balls at our entrenchments, but without ſucceſs. We ſhall have our batteries ready to play upon them to-morrow, or the next day at fartheſt. Our men are all in good ſpirits. We arrived at the Iſle aux Noix the 10th, and the next day we came within a mile and an half of the enemy, who ſaluted us with ſhells; no damage was done. We lay upon our arms all night, and in the morning I was detached with a party of 400 men to reinforce major Brown, who had taken 8 waggons from the enemy, loaded with ſtores. Before we could get up to him he was engaged, and obliged to retreat, but ſaved his booty. They upon our approach ſaluted us very warm with grape ſhot; we did not loſe one man. What the enemy loſt I cannot tell, but we found ſome blood on the ground. They retreated to the fort, and we keep poſſeſſion of the ground; we have a conſiderable entrenchment. Major Brown has took 12 waggons more, loaded with wine, rum, pork, &c. Every thing ſeems to proſper very well. I have nothing more particular, only a party was fired on at captain Hogan's houſe. We had 3 Canadians wounded. I have the cnmmand of the Green Mountain Boys, and a detachment of colonel Henman's regiment. I am, &c."

Extract of a letter from Cambridge.

"There is news to the 20th of Auguſt from England, which ſays there are no more troops, but 4 companies of artillery, to be out this fall. It is the common opinion that Great Britain will ſhortly be *juſt*, and, of courſe, America *free* and *happy*."

PORTSMOUTH, *October* 2.

YESTERDAY morning, the wind blowing ſtrong from the ſouthward, a ſhip, which appeared to be a merchantman, was ſeen off our harbour: Boats were immediately diſpatched with a number of men, who boarded her; ſhe proved to be a ſhip from Briſtol, owned by Joſeph Glover, eſquire, out 11 weeks, commanded by captain Richard Emms, with 2000 barrels of flour, conſigned to Henry Lloyd, for the uſe of the miniſterial troops at Boſton. The ſhip was directly brought up to town, and ſecured to a wharf. She had on board, alſo, a ſmall quantity of beer and cheeſe. The maſter informs us, he ſpoke with a brig, bound to Boſton from London, with 1800 barrels of flour, 200 barrels of pork, a brig from Jerſey, with 1200 barrels of flour and pork; alſo the St. Kitts Planter, with 1900 barrels of flour, and the Kitty, which ſailed a week before him, with 1900 barrels of flour, and that two more were at Briſtol taking in flour for Boſton. On Monday the above ſhip ſpoke with the Raven ſloop of war, bound to Boſton, out 10 weeks.

October 10. By the poſt, who came to this town yeſterday from Dartmouth college, we are informed, that an expreſs arrived there the 2d inſtant from St. John's, and brings an account from colonel Beadle that our people had cut off all communication from Montreal to St. John's, and that the Canadians had joined them in taking 20 waggons loaded with ſtores for St. John's, without the loſs of one man.

PROVIDENCE *(Rh. Iſland) October* 7.

A PERSON who arrived at New Port yeſterday, in a veſſel from Boſton, ſays that it was conjectured by ſome that the fleet which ſailed from Boſton was deſtined to deſtroy the town of Portſmouth, in New Hampſhire.

NEWPORT, *October* 16.

FROM good authority, we learn that Tom Gage is highly condemned in England for his conduct, and particularly for burning Charleſtown, on which account it is not improbable he may loſe his head ſoon after he arrives in England.

A letter from a gentleman at Briſtol, R. I. *dated* October 12, 1775.

"Having obſerved in the laſt Newport Mercury an imperfect account relative to the conduct of his majeſty's ſhips, under the command of captain Wallace at Briſtol, laſt Saturday night, I embrace this opportunity to give you a true and particular detail of facts that took place from their anchoring in the harbour till they left the town. On Saturday the 7th inſtant, P. M. appeared in ſight of this harbour a very formidable fleet, conſiſting of 16 ſail, viz. three men of war, one bomb ketch, and other armed veſſels, all which, excepting the Glaſgow, who ran aſhore at Papaquaſh Point, drew up in a line of battle from one end of the town to the other. Soon after they had moored, a barge came from the Roſe to the head of a wharf, with the lieutenant, who aſking if there were any gentlemen on the wharf, William Bradford being preſent, anſwered yes; whereupon the lieutenant informed him that captain Wallace had a demand to make on the town, and deſired that two or three of the principal men, or magiſtrates of the town, would go on board his ſhip, within an hour, and hear his propoſals, otherwiſe hoſtilities would be commenced againſt the town. The above gentleman replied, as a magiſtrate, that, in his opinion, captain Wallace was under a greater obligation to come aſhore, and make his demands known to the town, than for the magiſtrates to go on board his ſhip to hear them; and added, that if captain Wallace would come to the head of the wharf the next morning, he ſhould be treated as a gentleman, and the town would conſider of his demands. With this anſwer the lieutenant returned on board the Roſe. The inhabitants being made acquainted with the above converſation, repaired to the wharf, and waited with the utmoſt impatience for a reply from captain Wallace till an hour had expired, when the whole fleet began a moſt heavy cannonading, and the bomb veſſel to bombard, and heave ſhells and carcaſes into the town, which continued, without intermiſſion, an hour and an half.

"In the mean time, colonel Potter, in the hotteſt of the fire, went upon the head of the wharf, hailed the Roſe, went on board and requeſted a ceſſation of hoſtilities, till the inhabitants might chuſe a committee to go on board and treat with captain Wallace, which requeſt was complied with, and 6 hours were allowed for the above purpoſe. Colonel Potter returned, and made a report to the committee of inſpection, who choſe a ſelect committee to hear captain Wallace's demands, which, after they had gone on board, captain Wallace informed them were a ſupply

of 200 ſheep and 30 fat cattle. This demand, the committee replied, it was impoſſible to comply with; for the country people had come in and drove off their ſtock, ſaving a few ſheep, and ſome milch cows.

"After ſome hours had expired, during the negociation, without coming to any agreement, captain Wallace told them, "I have this one propoſal to make: If you will promiſe to ſupply me with 40 ſheep, at or before 12 o'clock, I will aſſure you that another gun ſhall not be diſcharged." The committee, ſeeing themſelves reduced to the diſtreſſing alternative, either to ſupply their moſt inveterate enemy with proviſions, or devote to the flames the town, with all the goods, beſides near 100 ſick perſons, who could not be removed without the utmoſt hazard of their lives; I ſay, ſeeing themſelves reduced to this dreadful dilemma, of two evils, reluctantly choſe the leaſt, by agreeing to ſupply them with 40 ſheep at the time appointed, which was punctually performed.

"The reverend Mr. John Burt, having been confined to his houſe by the camp diſtemper, when the cannonading began, left his habitation, to ſeek ſome place of ſafety, and the next day was found dead in a neighbouring field. It is conjectured, that being overcome with fear and fatigue, he fell down, and was unable to raiſe himſelf up, and ſo expired; a child, alſo, of captain Abraham Ingraham, having been removed in the rain, died the next day.

"What equally challenges our admiration, and gratitude to God, is, that no more lives were loſt, or perſons hurt, by ſuch an inceſſant and hot fire, the ſtreets being full of men, women, and children, the whole time. The ſhrieks of the women, the cries of the children, and groans of the ſick, would have extorted a tear from even the eye of a Nero. But I forbear; words cannot deſcribe the dreadful ſcene.

"After the ſhips had received their ſupply, and ſtole about 90 cheeſes, and ſome poultry, from Papaquaſh, they weighed anchor, and moored at Papaquaſh Point. The next day (being Tueſday) they went into Briſtol ferry-way, and fired a number of ſhot at the houſes and people on each ſhore, where three of them got aground; but the tide riſing towards evening, they took their leave, and have not moleſted us ſince.

"A great number of dwellinghouſes, &c. were ſhot through, but ſuffered very little damage. A cannon ball entered a diſtillhouſe, then paſſed through three hogſheads and ſome barrels of rum, and ſpilt their contents."

Extract of a letter from an officer in Boſton to his correſpondent at Tabago, *dated* Auguſt 25, 1775.

"Do, for God's ſake, let me hear from you, by ſome means or other, often. Our ſituation here, at preſent, is very diſagreeable; I leave Mr. Johnſton to give you a full account of it. As it is not ſafe to enter on politics by letter, for fear of miſcarriage, you muſt expect no particular accounts from me; I ſhall only ſay that I am hard worked, and have nothing to live upon but curſed ſalt pork; you will ſay that is hard, after ten years ſervice in the Weſt Indies."

The Swan, with ſeveral tenders and tranſports, are this morning getting ready to ſail for Boſton.

Laſt Monday the men of war, after firing on Briſtol and Papaquaſh, went into the ferry-way between Portſmouth and Briſtol, and fired near 200 ſhot at the houſes and people on each ſide; 3 ſhot ſtruck the houſe of captain Earl, near the ferry, which is all the damage done there that we hear of; 60 ſhot, we hear, were fired at the windmill, without hitting it. From thence ſome of the ſhips, tenders, and tranſports, went and ſurrounded Guild Iſland, and took a few ſheep; others went to Hope Iſland, and got 2 or 3 young cattle; thence they proceeded to Dutch Iſland, in Narraganſet Bay, where were upwards of 100 rams, part of which ſome people from Narraganſet took off while the veſſels lay there; the remainder, about 60, the enemy took away. Upon the whole, this fleet, by cruiſing and firing about our bays and harbours, for near a fortnight, have got about 40 head of cattle, great and ſmall, and 180 ſheep, including the cattle bought of the Brentons, and 60 rams, the 150 ſheep, mentioned in many papers of laſt Monday, being a miſtake; for we are well informed they got but 5 ſheep from Brenton's neck.

The ſame day the Glaſgow fired a number of cannon upon Jamestown, without doing any damage, except beating one ſtone out of a houſe.

The men of war, tenders, &c. came down the bay, and anchored in this harbour laſt Thurſday.

Laſt Friday, in the afternoon, a barge, with a number of men from one of the ſhips in this harbour, landed at the N. W. part of this town, took a boat which lay hauled up on the ſhore, and was carrying her off, when the owner got his muſket, ran down to the ſhore, and fired upon the barge, but did no execution; upon which the Glaſgow, and one of the tenders, fired ſeveral ſhot at the owner of the ſaid boat, but miſſed him. A 9 pound ſhot, from the Glaſgow, entered one ſide of Mr. Matthew Lawton's houſe on the Point, carried away part of a beam inſide, and fell down, without hurting any perſon.

CAMBRIDGE, *October* 19.

SINCE our laſt, arrived in town the honourable Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Lynch, and Benjamin Harriſon, eſquires, from Philadelphia, a committee from the continental congreſs; the honourable Matthew Griſwold, eſquire, deputy governor, and —— Wayles, eſquire, of Connecticut; the honourable Nicholas Cooke, eſquire, deputy governor and commander in chief of Rhode Iſland; and the honourable John Wentworth, eſquire, preſident of the provincial congreſs of New Hampſhire. As the time for which the preſent army is raiſed will expire in 2 or 3 months, theſe gentlemen, with the members of the honourable council of this colony, are appointed to meet and confer with his excellency general Waſhington, on the ſubject of forming and eſtabliſhing another continental army, for the defence of the invaded rights of the united colonies.

The enemy in Boſton have been remarkable ſtill for near a fortnight paſt, having ſcarcely fired a gun.

We are impatiently waiting for ſome authentic advices from our army in Canada, none having been received ſince our laſt.

NEW YORK, *October* 21.

ON Thurſday was interred, at Trinity church, Michael Creſſop, eſquire, captain of a company of riflemen, who died here on his way from Cambridge. His funeral was attended from his lodgings by the independent companies of militia, and the moſt reſpectable inhabitants, through the principal ſtreets to the church. The grenadiers of the firſt battalion fired 3 vollies over his grave. The whole was conducted with great decency, and in military form. He was a gentleman univerſally eſteemed by thoſe who had the pleaſure of his acquaintance, a worthy member of ſociety, and a brave ſoldier. His loſs is greatly lamented by every wellwiſher to the liberties of this once happy country.

By accounts, dated the 4th of October, we are informed, that general Montgomery was carrying on his approaches towards Fort St. John's with the utmoſt vigour, and that the officers and men bear the ſeverities of that climate with great firmneſs and fortitude.

His majeſty's ſloop of war the Viper, capt. Greaves, ſailed for Boſton on Thurſday, and from Sandy Hook on Saturday, and carried with him the brig Harmony, captain Roſs, from Coracoa, with ſalt, belonging to Mr. Nixion, of this port; the brig ——, captain Lightburn, from Burmuda, loaded with ſalt likewiſe, belonging to Mr. William Malcom, &c. a new veſſel, Bermuda built, and this her firſt voyage; and the ſloop Polly, captain Barns, from Antigua, loaded with ſugar and molaſſes, belonging to meſſ. Mott and Boyne, and the cargo to Mr. William Currie. They were all ſeized between this city and Sandy Hook.

We hear that the fleet which left Boſton ſome time ago conſiſted of a number of veſſels bound to different ports, and was not deſtined for any particular port.

By accounts from England, brought in his majeſty's ſhip Cerberus, arrived at Boſton, we are informed that admiral Molyneux Shudham is ordered to Boſton, with a fleet conſiſting of 3 ſhips of war of 50, 2 of 40, 3 of 32, 2 of 28 guns, 2 ſloops, and a bomb veſſel; and we are aſſured, that letters are received at Boſton which afford great reaſon to hope a reconciliation will take place between Great Britain and her colonies. General Gage had ſailed for England.

OCTOBER 26.

Extract of a letter from an officer at St. John's, *dated October* 1.

"On the 16th of September we left the Iſle aux Noix, in order to lay ſiege to St. John's. We had before ſent a party of 100 men to Chamblee, who hearing that ſome regulars were tranſporting proviſions to St. John's, attacked them, took 2 priſoners, and a conſiderable prize, and then began to fortify about 2 miles diſtant from St. John's, in order to cut off communications, expecting ſoon a reinforcement from our army; but being diſcovered by the enemy at Saint John's, a party of 200 regulars ſallied out with field pieces, and our men being but half their number, and poorly fortified, were obliged to retreat to the woods.

Yeſterday, being the anniverſary of his majeſty's acceſſion to the throne, was obſerved with the uſual reſpect. At noon, a royal ſalute was fired from his majeſty's ſhip Aſia, commanded by George Vandeput, eſquire, and his excellency governor Tryon received the compliments of the honourable gentlemen of the council, and the gentlemen of the city.

Thurſday laſt the Harriot packet, captain Lee, ſailed with the mail for Falmouth. In the packet went the following perſons, viz. Lloyd Dulany, eſquire, and his lady; the honourable Samuel Cornell, eſq; major Etherington, captain Kelly, doctor George Stewart, Mr. William Stewart, Mr. George Digges, Mr. Edward Brice, and Mr. Samuel Child.

On board the Halifax packet, October 19.

Sir,

FINDING your letter of yeſterday inſufficient for the ſecurity I requeſted from the corporation and citizens, and objectionable for the mode in which you obtained the ſenſe of the inhabitants, my duty directed me, for the preſent inſtant, to remove on board the ſhip, where I ſhall be ready to do ſuch buſineſs of the country as the ſituation of the times will permit. The citizens, as well as the inhabitants of the province, may be aſſured of my inclination to embrace every means in my power to reſtore the peace, good order, and authority, of government. I am, ſir, your moſt obedient ſervant,

WILLIAM TRYON.

Whitehead Hicks, eſquire,
mayor of the city of New York.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 28.

LAST Sunday died, of an apoplectic ſtroke, in the 53d year of his age, the honourable PEYTON RANDOLPH, eſquire, of Virginia, late preſident of the continental congreſs, and ſpeaker of the houſe of burgeſſes of Virginia; a gentleman who poſſeſſed the virtues of humanity in an eminent degree, and, joining with them the ſounded judgment, was the delight of his friends in private life, and a moſt valuable member of ſociety, having long filled, and with great ability and integrity diſcharged, the moſt honourable public truſts. To the truth of this his family, his friends, and his country, bear mournful teſtimony.

And yeſterday afternoon his remains were removed from Mr. Benjamin Randolph's to Chriſt church, where an excellent ſermon on the mournful occaſion was preached by the reverend Mr. Duche, after which the corpſe was carried to the burial ground, and depoſited in a vault, till it can be conveyed to Virginia.

The FUNERAL was conducted in the following order:
The three BATTALIONS, ARTILLERY COMPANIES,
And RIFLEMEN, of this CITY.
The CLERGY.
The BODY,
With PALL, ſupported by ſix MAGISTRATES.
Honourable JOHN HANCOCK, eſquire.
The MEMBERS of CONGRESS,
PHYSICIANS,
The MEMBERS of ASSEMBLY,
COMMITTEE of SAFETY,
MAYOR and CORPORATION,
COMMITTEE of CITY and LIBERTIES,
VESTRY of CHRIST and SAINT PETER'S churches,
CITIZENS.

We hear the honourable continental congreſs have appointed John Morgan, M. D. F. R. S. of this city, director of the hoſpital, and phyſician to the American army.

A letter from Cambridge, dated October 19, ſays: "The great hurry and buſineſs of this morning, and the immediate departure of the poſt, almoſt deprives me of the ſatisfaction of communicating the news of the day, which to me is very affecting. We ſent down two floating batteries from Cambridge, to fire on the town of Boſton, the night before laſt, being informed they opened their playhouſe that evening for this ſeaſon. They fired ſeven ſhot a-piece, and one of their cannon burſted the eighth ſhot, tore off the ſide of one of the batteries, ſplit her top or covering, ſunk her, and wounded 8 of the men, with the captain. One died that night; the others are in my hoſpital, and will do well, except one. They are burnt very much by the cannon carriages, which took fire on the burſting of the cannon, and are ſhocking objects. We have recovered the battery, and brought her up."

The following is an extract of a letter from New York, dated the 25th inſtant: "A gentleman belonging to this city, who is juſt returned from Lake George, ſays that our northern army has lately taken an eſcort of 16 regulars, and a rich Frenchman with proviſions and cloathing deſigned for the enemy; he ſaw them ſet out on their march from Albany to Hartford. He

adds, that captain ——, from New Hampſhire, with 600 men, had gone to reinforce our army, and took poſt upon the ſide of the river ——; that a party of Canadians, friendly to us, have poſted themſelves on the oppoſite ſide; and a gondola belonging to the enemy, in which there appeared to be about 30 men, came oppoſite to the Canadians, who fired ſmartly on them, to avoid which they rowed to the oppoſite ſhore, where our men peppered them ſo well that they were thrown into great confuſion, and got into the rapids, which carried them down the ſtream over a fall, where it is ſuppoſed they all periſhed. Letters in town from Albany adviſe, that Carleton's men at St. John's were in great want of fuel, and that general Montgomery is determined to ſtorm the fort, if he cannot take it any other way."

The 15th inſtant, at 3 o'clock in the morning, the tranſport ſhip Rachel and Francis, captain Haſtings, was ſtranded upon Brigantine beach, on the coaſt of New Jerſey. She had on board captain Duncan Campbell, lieutenant Sims, 2 ſerjeants and 21 privates, belonging to his majeſty's royal Highland regiment of emigrants, bound from Boſton (they ſay) to New York, as a recruiting party. The captain and lieutenant got off the beach the next day, in a ſmall boat, and went towards New York, in order to get on board the Aſia man of war, which they would have effected, if they had not been prevented by the zeal and activity of lieutenant Loveland, of Egg Harbour, who, after a tedious purſuit of one day and 2 nights, took them on board a boat at Cranberry inlet, about 35 miles from New York, in which he was aſſiſted by lieutenant Cook, with 6 men, from an adjacent county, his own party being wore out with fatigue. As ſome of the privates are known to have been formerly in this city, one of them a ſervant, and another a ſoldier, it is ſuppoſed they were ſelected as fit perſons to inveigle ſervants and others into the miniſterial ſervice. Captain Haſtings, and three of the ſoldiers, were conducted here laſt Saturday evening under a guard. The reſt of the ſoldiers, and the captain and lieutenant, were brought here this day. Before they quitted the veſſel, they threw overboard ſeveral pieces of cannon belonging to it, ſixty muſkets, and two barrels and a half of powder. The veſſel left Boſton the fifth of October, in company with a twenty gun ſhip, and one tranſport, with ſome troops, bound for Halifax. No other ſhips of war or troops had ſailed. The 48th and 59th regiments being greatly reduced, the privates are incorporated into other regiments, and their officers going home.

Laſt night, at the quartering meeting of the ſociety of Engliſhmen, at Carpenter's Hall, Chriſtopher Carter was unanimouſly expelled the ſaid ſociety, for having been concerned in meaſures inimical to the liberties of America.

Laſt week Lanſpartus Sheelen was committed to Reading gaol for uttering counterfeit 50s. bills, in imitation of thoſe of this province. He lately arrived here from Germany, where he got them printed. On ſearching his cheſt, which had a falſe bottom, near 1700 pounds were found of the ſame ſort.

LONDON, *Auguſt* 17.

NOTHING ſhews the wretched timidity of an adminiſtration more than their ſending the guards on every frivolous pretence and groundleſs report of a riot. Do they think that a company of the guards, with an unfledged coxcomb of an enſign at their head, will be able to ſuppreſs the honeſt endeavours of a much injured people, ſeeking ample redreſs for the innumerable grievances under which they labour, and ſternly demanding at the throne of majeſty itſelf an immediate reſtitution of all their violated rights? If they do, they will find themſelves much miſtaken. All honeſt citizens entertain a better opinion of the guards, and of the army in general, than to imagine they are ready at the call of adminiſtration to become the wicked inſtruments of oppreſſion. The army feels, and will reſent the ſhameful manner in which it is treated. The ſoldiery, and their families, are almoſt ſtarving in a land of plenty; and they daily complain of the numberleſs hardſhips to which they are reduced, from the poor ſcanty pittance ariſing from their pay.

The Scotch are not a little vexed at their countryman's (lord Dunmore) late conduct. At firſt they puffed him as the patron of America. Gage was nothing; Dunmore was every thing. But this brave man, at the very time when the aſſembly were ſitting, and when his preſence was moſt neceſſary, abdicated his government. His council, even that council who had flattered him of late, blame him for retiring before there was any apparent danger.

In ſtory, we're told,
That heroes of old
Have fled from their enemies blows;
But Dunmore, for his glory,
Is the firſt in all ſtory
That fled without ſeeing his foes.

Doctor Flamſtead, the famous aſtronomer, once made an entertainment for a few ſelect friends at the Royal Obſervatory in Greenwich park, and the late ingenious Mr. Thomas Brown was among the invited gueſts. After an elegant dinner, the glaſs going chearfully about, ſomebody laid pen, ink, and paper, before Mr. Brown, deſiring him to divert the company with ſomething extempore. He modeſtly deſired to be excuſed; but finding the company unanimous in their requeſt, he took the pen, and after a ſhort pauſe, writ the following lines:

We here are invited to a *Zodiack* of mirth,
Where *Aries* and *Scorpio* do give it a birth;
Here *Leo* ne'er roars, nor *Taurus* ne'er bellows,
But, *Gemini* like, we commence merry fellows;
Here *Cancer* and *Piſces* agree with our wiſhes,
Whilſt all round the table we drink here like fiſhes.
Let *Libra* fill wine without old *Aquarius*,
Whilſt quivers of wit fly from *Sagittarius*;
And to crown all our mirth, we will revel in *Virgo*,
And *Capricorn* he ſhall ſupply us with cargo.

WILLIAMSBURG.

The OTTAWA CHIEF'S * REPLY *to a ſpeech of the commiſſioners, condoling him on the loſs of his father, who was killed ſome time ago in a war with an Indian nation, with the* Tawas, *ended not long ſince, with the total extirpation of the tribe, and thanking him for his kindneſs to young* Field.

FATHERS,

FROM the information I had of the commandant of Detroit, with diſtruſt, I accepted your invitation, and meaſured my way to this council fire with trembling feet. Your reception of me convinces me of his falſhood and the groundleſſneſs of my fears. Truth and he have long been enemies. My father, and many of my chiefs, have lately taſted of death. The remembrance of that misfortune almoſt unmans me, and fills my eyes with tears. Your kind condolence has lightened my heart of its heavy burthen, and ſhall be tranſmitted to my lateſt poſterity.——— A STRING.

FATHERS,

I REJOICE to hear what I this day have heard, and do aſſure you it ſhall be faithfully delivered to my nation. Should you want to ſpeak to me in future, I ſhall joyfully attend, and thank you for the preſent invitation. The particular favour ſhewed me, and the gun you have given me for the kindneſs ſhewed your brother, young Field, claims my warm acknowledgment. I am conſcious I did but my duty. He who barely does his duty merits no praiſe. If any of your people hereafter viſit mine, whether through curioſity or buſineſs, both motive, or if unwillingly compelled by the ſtrong hand of the victor, they ſhall find the entertainment your brother found. You informed me, if my people viſits your's they ſhall meet an hoſpitable welcome: My fears are done away; I have not one doubt remaining; I will recommend it to my young men to viſit and get acquainted with your's.

FATHERS,

WHAT has paſſed this day is too deeply engraven on my heart for time itſelf ever to eraſe. I foretell that the ſunny rays of this day's peace ſhall warm and protect our childrens children from the ſtorms of misfortune. To confirm it, I preſent you my right hand, that hand which never yet was given but the heart conſented, which never ſhed human blood in peace, nor ever ſpared an enemy in war; and I aſſure you of my friendſhip with a tongue which has never mocked at truth ſince I was at age to know falſhood was a crime.———A BELT.

This afternoon a man of war and three tenders came to anchor at Burwell's ferry, and fired ſeveral times, but did no other damage than ſending one ſhot through a warehouſe near the water-ſide.

CAMP at CAMBRIDGE, *October* 24, 1775.

The encloſed information being of the higheſt importance, I thought it proper to tranſmit it to you with all deſpatch. G. WASHINGTON.

On the ſervice of the UNITED COLONIES.

To the honourable Nicholas Cooke, eſquire, deputy governor of Rhode Iſland. Providence. (Encloſed)

FALMOUTH, *October* 26, 1775.

"The Conceaux ſhip of 16 guns, commanded by captain Mowatt, a large ſchooner, and a ſloop, armed, anchored below the town the 17th. At three, P. M. they weighed, and came up, and anchored, within gunſhot, and immediately captain Mowatt ſent a letter on ſhore to the town, giving them two hours to move their families out, as he had orders to fire the town. The town immediately choſe a committee of three gentlemen, and ſent them on board to know the reaſon of their town's being ſet on fire. He received orders from the admiral, he deſired that he might ſhow ſome favour to the town of Falmouth, which the admiral granted (I ſuppoſe, as captain Mowatt was under particular obligations to ſome gentlemen at Falmouth, for civilities ſhewn him when in captivity amongſt them) and which favour was to ſpare the town till 9 o'clock Wedneſday morning, in caſe we would ſend him off 8 ſmall arms, which the town immediately did.

Wedneſday morning, being the 18th, the committee went on board of captain Mowatt again, in order to ſave the town. He ſaid he would ſave the town till he heard from the admiral, in caſe he would ſend off four carriage guns, deliver up all our ſmall arms, ammunition, &c. and ſend four gentlemen of the town as hoſtages; which the town would not do. About half paſt 9 in the morning, he began to fire from the four armed veſſels, and in five minutes ſet fire to ſeveral houſes. He continued firing till after dark the ſame day, which deſtroyed the largeſt part of the town. He farther informed the committee, that he ſhould proceed to Portſmouth, and deſtroy that place alſo.

The foregoing is as near the facts as I am able to remember. Witneſs my hand,

PEARSON JONES.

Cambridge, October 24.

* Shegenabs, ſon to the famous Pontiack, and the preſerver of young Field.

Monday evening the amiable lady of our late worthy Speaker arrived in this city from Philadelphia.

Mr. WILLIAM PIERCE, junior, of this city, who was in the late engagement at Hampton (and whoſe genius is greatly admired for many valuable productions in the celebrated art of painting) we are informed, is now executing a plan of the ſame in a moſt elegant and circumſtantial manner.

The following gentlemen are appointed a committee to repreſent this city: James Southall, Robert C. Nicholas, John Tazewell, James Geddy, Robert Nicholſon, William Paſteur, Alexander Craig, Humphrey Harwood, George Wythe, Benjamin Powell, Thomas Everard, Gabriel Maupin, James M. Galt, Edward Charlton, Joſeph Prentis, Joſeph Hornſby, James Hubard, William Goodion, Robert Anderſon, John Blair, John Ferguſſon.

LONDON, *Auguſt* 24.

IT is reported, that no anſwer has been yet given, nor will any be given to the petition of the continental congreſs, as it is thought beneath the dignity of government to treat with or acknowledge an aſſembly, which has no conſtitutional or legal exiſtence.

Auguſt 26. Some diſpatches were on Wedneſday received from lord Grantham, which ſeemed to alarm the miniſtry; and a report was current that one in high office had been heard to ſay that he was afraid we ſhould be ſhortly involved in a Spaniſh war.

A number of 40 and 50 gun ſhips are getting ready for America, to replace theſe ſhips which muſt neceſſarily ſoon come home.

So critical are the affairs of Europe at this juncture, that the ſmalleſt diſagreement between any of the ſouthern powers would be productive immediately of a war. Of this they all ſeem convinced, and on that account behave with the greateſt complaiſance to each other.

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION for ſuppreſſing rebellion and ſedition.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS many of our ſubjects, in divers parts of our colonies and plantations in North America, miſled by dangerous and ill deſigning men, and forgetting the allegiance which they owe to the power that protected and ſuſtained them, after various diſorderly acts committed in diſturbance of the public peace, to the obſtruction of lawful commerce, and to the oppreſſion of our lawful ſubjects carrying on the ſame, have at length proceeded to an open and avowed rebellion, by arraying themſelves in hoſtile manner to withſtand the execution of the law, and traiterouſly preparing, ordering, and levying war againſt us; and whereas there is reaſon to apprehend that ſuch rebellion hath been much promoted and encouraged by the traiterous correſpondence, counſels, and comfort, of divers wicked and deſperate perſons within this realm: To the end, therefore, that none of our ſubjects may neglect or violate their duty through ignorance thereof, or through any doubt of the protection which the law will afford to their loyalty and zeal, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our privy council, to iſſue this our royal proclamation, hereby declaring that not only our officers, civil and military, are obliged to exert their utmoſt endeavours to ſuppreſs ſuch rebellion, and to bring the traitors to juſtice; but that all our ſubjects of this realm, and the dominions thereunto belonging, are bound by law to be aiding and aſſiſting in the ſuppreſſion of ſuch rebellion, and to diſcloſe and make known all traiterous conſpiracies and attempts againſt us, our crown and dignity.

And we do accordingly ſtrictly charge and command all our officers, as well civil as military, and all other obedient and loyal ſubjects, to uſe their utmoſt endeavours to withſtand and ſuppreſs ſuch rebellion, and to diſcloſe and make known all treaſons and traiterous conſpiracies which they ſhall know to be againſt us, our crown and dignity; and, for that purpoſe, that they tranſmit to one of our principal ſecretaries of ſtate, or other proper officer, due and full information of all perſons who ſhall be found carrying on correſpondence with, or in any manner or degree aiding or abetting, the perſons now in open arms and rebellion againſt our government, within any of our colonies and plantations in North America, in order to bring to condign puniſhment the authors, perpetrators, and abetters, of ſuch traiterous deſigns.

Given at our court at Saint James's, the 23d day of Auguſt, 1775, in the 15th year of our reign.

God ſave the king.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 8, 1775.

THE attorney general's ſlaves and houſhold furniture, which was advertiſed for ſale at the next meeting of the merchants, will be ſold the 25th day of this month, by

JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES COCKE, } ſurviving truſtees.

FOUND, by a negro wench belonging to Mr. *James Bray Johnſon*, a GOLD RING, marked thus on the outſide of the rim: C. A. WHITE. NAT. 2 SEP. 1762. OB: 6 JULY 1774. The ſeal of it repreſents, on one ſide, a houſe; on the other, a tree; which are done with hair, and covered with glaſs. The ſeal is about the ſize of a *bit*. The owner, by applying to the printer hereof, paying for advertizing, and giving a ſmall gratuity to the finder, ſhall have it. t f

CULPEPER county *(Virginia) September* 5, 1775.

I INTEND to leave *this* colony, in ſix or eight weeks, for *London*, not to return till *April* next. Mr. *Gabriel Jones*, of *Culpeper* county, will attend at *Sperſylvania* courts, in the abſence and behalf of 3 BENJAMIN JOHNSTON.

On the 2d Thurſday *in* December *next will be* SOLD, *altogether or in parcels, at* Lunenburg *courthouſe*,

ALL the landed eſtate of *Robert Eſtes*, deceaſed, including the courthouſe, with 714 acres of land, a joining two large plantations, and good orchards thereon. The terms will be known at the day of ſale. Alſo a quantity of CORN and FODDER, ſtocks of HORSES and CATTLE, and PLANTATION TOOLS. Twelve months credit will be allowed for theſe articles, the purchaſer giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to

ROBERT AND ELISHA ESTES, executors.

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POETS CORNER.

ON THE CREATION.

NOR yet the crude materials of the earth
Were form'd, nor time nor motion yet had birth,
Nor yet one solitary spark of light
Glar'd through the dusky shades of ancient night,
Nor on the barren wastes of endless space,
As yet, were circumscrib'd the bounds of place,
When, at the Almighty's word, from NOTHING springs
The first confus'd ORIGINAL of THINGS.
Whatever now the Heaven's wide arms embrace,
Together then lay blended in a mass;
The dull, the active, the refin'd, and base,
The cold, the hot, the temp'rate, moist, and dry,
All mingled in profound disorder lie;
In one prodigious, undistinguish'd heap,
The extreamest contraries of nature sleep;
Nor yet the sprightly seeds of fire ascend,
Nor downwards yet the pond'rous atoms tend;
A monstrous face the new creation wears,
And void of order, form, and light, appears,
Till the Almighty *fiat*, once again
Pronounc'd, did motion to each part ordain,
Awoke the tender principles of life,
And urg'd the growing elemental strife;
And now confusions infinite arise
From nature's most remote antipathies.
But while against their furious opposites
Each hostile atom all its force unites,
Their own lov'd species, through the formless mass,
With am'rous zeal officiously they trace,
And join and mingle in a strict embrace;
The lively shining particles of light
On dazzling wings attempt their nimble flight;
The fine transparent air, with mighty force,
Through fix'd and fluid upward takes its course;
The grosser seeds with heavy motion press,
And meeting in the midst, the central parts possess;
While the united waves, without controul,
About the slimy surface proudly roll,
Till an imperial word their force divides,
And lo! the deep by smooth degrees subsides;
And lo! the rising, stately mountains, leave
Their oozy beds; and lo! the vallies cleave,
The congregated waters to receive,
And down the sinking billows calmly go,
Part to the subterranean caves below,
And part around the hills in circling currents flow;
And now the slimy, soft fermented earth,
Prepar'd to give her various species birth,
Obedient to the voice, produces all
Her boundless stores at her Creator's call.
A sudden spring at his command arose,
And various plants their verdant tops disclose;
The teeming ground to rising groves gives way,
Which leaves and blossoms instantly display,
And ev'ry branch with tempting fruit looks gay;
When he again, whose active word fulfill'd
Exactly all the mighty things he will'd,
Commands, and straight the heavenly arches rise,
And kindling glories brighten all the skies;
A sudden day with gaudy lustre gilds
The expanded air, the new-made streams, and fields;
Ten thousand sprightly dazzling lights advance,
And trembling rays in the wide *Ether* dance;
The sun, beyond them all immense and gay,
Assumes the bright dominion of the day,
And, whirling up the skies with rapid force,
Along the radiant zone begins his destin'd course.
And now another efficacious word
The air, and earth, and wat'ry region, stor'd;
The num'rous vehicles for breath prepar'd,
The mighty summons of their Maker heard,
And from the bosom of their native clay
Sprung into life, and caught the vital ray;
Millions of footed creatures range the woods,
Millions with fins divide the crystal floods,
Millions besides, with wanton liberty,
On painted wings rise singing to the sky.
But last of all, two of a nobler kind,
After the brightest model in his mind,
With care the great artificer design'd:
Beyond his other works, compleat and fair,
He form'd with ev'ry grace the lovely pair,
Adorn'd with beauty, crown'd with dignity,
Immortal, godlike, rational, and free;
Serene impressions of a stamp divine
Upon their matchless faces clearly shine;
In deep suspence, and at themselves amaz'd,
With curious eyes they on each other gaz'd;
Themselves, and all the fair creation round,
Survey, and still fresh cause of wonder found;
For now, in their primæval lustre gay,
The earth and Heavens their utmost pride display;
The blazing sun, from his meridian height,
Through an unclouded sky darts round his flaming light;
The fields, the floods, and all the enlighten'd air,
In open day, look ravishingly fair;
The bright carnation, and the fragrant rose,
Their beauties fresh, with heav'nly dew, disclose;
The noble amaranths shew their purple dye,
Splendid as that which paints the morning sky;
Ten thousand od'rous flow'rs, of various hue,
In ev'ry shade and plain spontaneous grew;
And down the smooth descent of verdant hills,
From marble fountains, gush a thousand rills;
Thro' many a pleasant shade they murm'ring go,
And mingle with the larger streams below,
Which thro' the flow'ry vallies softly flow;
And all along their lovely, spacious banks,
Immortal trees are plac'd in equal ranks,
Whose charming shades might God himself delight,
And angels from their heav'nly bow'rs invite.
Here gentle breezes, from their fragrant wings,
Shed all the odours of a thousand springs;
Harmonious birds among the branches sing,
And all the groves with chearful ecchoes ring.
Hail, mighty Maker of the universe,
My song shall still thy glorious deeds rehearse;
Thy praise, whatever subject others chuse,
Shall be the lofty theme of my aspiring muse.

At a meeting of the COMMISSIONERS, *appointed by the convention, for superintending the manufactory of small arms, at* Fredericksburg, *on* Monday *the* 13*th of* September, 1775,

THE commissioners intend to meet on the 10th day of *October* next, at *Fredericksburg*, for the purpose of engaging a further number of gunsmiths, and other artists, capable of managing that business in its various branches. All persons who are willing to enter into the service for a year at the least, and can come well recommended for skill and sobriety, are desired to attend; if agreed with, they will have good encouragement, according to their merit, and, at all events, be paid for their attendence and travelling. Good locksmiths are much wanting.

2 THE COMMISSIONERS.

FALLS *of* JAMES RIVER, *October* 25, 1775.

AT the earnest solicitation of many gentlemen on *Potowmack*, and influenced by my own interest on that river, I have been endeavouring to open its navigation from tide-water upwards, and have been at considerable expence in preparation, &c. to forward that useful work; but the necessity of a *Maryland* act of assembly co-operating with one passed in *Virginia*, and which I have not yet been able to obtain, has obliged me to decline it for the present.

This disappointment would be more affecting if it did not afford me an opportunity of employing my time and attention in opening and extending the navigation of *James* river, which, though a work less interesting to me, is of equal utility to the public; but to make my interest in some measure correspond with the public's, I have paid 560l. sterling to Mr. *Patrick Coutts* for the lands situate on the river, where the water must be taken out into the canal, and where I have began and done some part of the canal, with other improvements very expensive.

I therefore inform the public, that having a fee simple therein, I am going on with the canal at my own expence, and will further risk my whole fortune and time on the success of my undertaking, and desire no aid or assistance until I make the navigation safe and easy to *Shockoe* warehouses, expecting, nevertheless, the more large and generous contributions from all who benefit, when the work is done.

N. B. I want to hire a hundred SLAVES for the above purpose, and should be glad to treat with any person or persons inclinable; at the same time could assist with the best part of their winter cloathing, if not otherwise provided.

3 JOHN BALLENDINE.

To be SOLD *or* RENTED,

THE HOUSES and LOTS of the late *Elkanah Deane*, pleasantly situated in *Palace* street, in this city. There is a well of good water in the lot belonging to the dwelling-house, and a fine garden and pasture at the back of the same, all well paled in; also several springs and a run of water throughout the land. The houses are in good repair, and some of them but lately built. And on *Tuesday* the 28th of *November* will be sold, for ready money, the HOUSHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, a large quantity of coachmakers, joiners, and blacksmiths TOOLS. There are on hand, and will be sold, very cheap, for cash, an elegant PHÆTON, single and double CHAIRS of several sorts, finished in the best manner. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment; and all those whose accounts are not settled at the next meeting of the merchants, it is expected will give bond. Those also who have demands against it are desired immediately to bring in their accounts to the subscriber.

ELIZABETH DEANE, administratrix.

OCTOBER 26, 1775.

ALL persons indebted to the printer of this paper for the last year's Gazette, &c. which ended on the 22d. ult. are earnestly requested to discharge their respective balances as early as possible. Those also who are indebted to the estate of the late CLEMENTINA RIND, it is hoped, will be speedy in discharging their accounts, as he is anxious to settle the affairs relative thereto.

TAKEN up, in *Goochland*, on *Little Byrd* creek, a black steer, about 4 or 5 years old, with a white streak from his breast under his belly, and has a white spot on the inside of each of his ham-joints; he is marked with a crop, two slits, and an underkeel, in the right ear, and a crop and three slits in the left. Posted, and appraised to 3l. BENJAMIN JOHNSTON.

To be SOLD, *at the meeting of the merchants in* October,

ALL Mrs. *Rathell*'s STOCK in TRADE, consisting of many different articles. I request all who are indebted to the said Mrs. *Rathell* to be so kind at this meeting as to pay off their accounts to *John Tazewell*, esquire, of this city, or to the subscriber, at Mrs. *Rathell*'s store, who are authorized to receive such debts.

M. BRODIE.

N. B. At the same time will be sold a large BOW-WINDOW, with bars and shutters, some SHOW-GLASSES, and GLASS CASES. 3

To be SOLD, *at the next meeting of the merchants in* Williamsburg, *by virtue of a deed of trust made to the subscribers,*

THE estate of *John Randolph*, esquire, his majesty's attorney general, consisting of his late dwellinghouse within the said city, and of the land adjoining, several very valuable family servants, and a variety of furniture. A year's credit will be allowed the purchasers, they giving bond, with good security, to

PEYTON RANDOLPH,
tf JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES COCKE.

To be SOLD *at public auction, pursuant to the last will and testament of Mr.* John Todd Bickerton, *deceased, at* Hanover *courthouse, on thee first* Thursday *in* December *next, being court day,*

A TRACT of LAND, lying on the *Byrd* creek, in *Albemarle* county, containing 700 acres, with a plantation cleared sufficient to work 7 or 8 hands, and convenient buildings for a family. Also another tract, lying on *Hickory* creek, in *Louisa* county, containing 1425 acres, without any improvements thereon. These lands are subject to the dower of Mrs. *Martha Bickerton*. Twelve months credit will be allowed, the purchaser giving bond, with approved security, to THE EXECUTORS.

CABIN POINT, SURRY county.

THIS is to inform the public that the subscriber's FULLING MILL is in order to full cloth, which shall be done in the best manner. Those gentlemen who may favour me with their work may depend upon my best endeavours to satisfy them. I also have WEAVERS that weave thread and cotton, any pattern, in the neatest manner; and I am in want of three or four more weavers, that could come well recommended, who will meet with proper encouragement. Those persons who apply to me for CLOTH or WEAVING must be punctual in payment, as I shall keep the cloth till paid. I am the public's obedient, humble servant,

WILLIAM SIMMONS.

RAN away from the subscribers, living in *Prince George* county, *Maryland*, near *Snoden*'s iron works, two convict servants, both *Irishmen*. FRANCIS MATTHEWS, a thin made fellow, about 19 or 20 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, and stoops much in his walk; he has a scar over his right eye, and is much pitted with the smallpox. He had on when he went away a crocus shirt, a pair of sacking trowsers, a short old *Swanskin* jacket, and his fingers on the left hand are near of a length. MICHAEL CONROY, a well made fellow, about 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, with a fair complexion, is much freckled, and pitted with the smallpox. He had on when he went away an oznabrig shirt, a country cloth jacket, lined with oznabrigs, a pair of crocus trowsers, and a pair of old shoes, and pretends to be a shoemaker. They are both great villains, for they will steal any thing that is in their way. Whoever takes up the said servants, and brings them to me, shall receive FIVE POUNDS for each.

PHILIP HALL,
ISAAC SHORT.

N. B. They took with them a broadax.

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 17, 1775.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the public that she intends to open a DANCING SCHOOL, on *Friday* the 25th instant, for young ladies; she therefore hopes the gentlemen and ladies will be kind enough to favour her with their daughters. She flatters herself she shall be able to give entire satisfaction, as no care or pains on her part will be wanting. Her days for teaching (every week) are *Friday* and *Saturday*. The price, TWENTY SHILLINGS entrance, and FOUR POUNDS a year. The school will be kept at Mr. *Blovet Pasteur*'s. SARAH HALLAM.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia* county, a bay colt, 2 years old last spring, has a small star in his forehead, and is about 4 feet 5 inches high. Posted, and appraised to 7l.

CHARNEL HIGHTOWER.

COMMITTED to the gaol of *Middlesex* a negro man, who says his name is *William Bolls*, supposed to belong to *John Walker*, of *Albemarle*. The said negro is about 5 feet 3 inches high, has a scar across his nose, another above his left eye, and another just below his right ear, and appears to be a shoemaker. Since his commitment he says he belongs to *Jemmy Jones*, of *Albemarle*. The owner is desired to take him away, and pay charges.

JOHN CRAINE, gaoler.

COMMITTED to the gaol of *Buckingham* a negro woman, about 4 feet 8 inches high, affects that she cannot speak her master's name, though says her name is *Chloe*. She is dressed with a blue and white *Swanskin* petticoat, oznabrig shirt, and striped homespun jacket. She was born in *Africa*, and appars to be about 40 years of age. The owner is desired to pay prison charges, and take her out. 5 JOHN COX, gaoler.

THE store at *Leed's*, kept by the subscriber for account of Mr. *Richard Holland*, being to be discontinued, the goods on hand, consisting of many saleable articles, to the amount of at least three hundred pounds sterling, will be sold on the 10th day of *November* next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, to the highest bidder; also some valuable horses. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchasers on giving bond and security. All persons that have had dealings at the said store are desired to come and settle their accounts as soon as possible. THOMAS JETT.

CAME to my house some time in *August* an *Irishman*, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, of a swarthy complexion, has on an old brown surtout coat, an old hat, without any brim, and brown linen shirt and trowsers; the little toe of his right foot is off. He is quite deaf, and says he is a servant to one *John Wayman*, in *Maryland*, and calls his name *James Watson*.

JAMES GORDON.

STRAYED from the subscriber at *Davis*'s, at the fork of *Cocke*'s and *Namozeen* roads, in *Dinwiddie* county, about 10 miles from *Petersburg*, the 15th of *February* last, a sorrel mare, 15 years old, has had both the fistula and pole-evil, and was much scarrified in the cure by burning, and is about 4 feet 6 inches high. Also a dark gray filly, one year old, has a star in her forehead, and a remarkable scar on one of her sides, occasioned by being staked when young; she is neither docked nor branded, is of the *Crawford* breed, and shews it pretty much. I will give THREE POUNDS reward to any person who will contrive them to *Charlotte* courthouse.

ROBERT PRYOR.

For SALE, *in* JAMES CITY *county*,

A VALUABLE tract of LAND, lying on each side the road leading from *Doncastle*'s ordinary to *Williamsburg*. There are on the said tract a good dwellinghouse, barns, and all other necessary buildings. All the cleared land is enclosed. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to

EDWARD POWER.

HUNTINGTOUR, *September* 14, 1775.

THE lands I have for some time advertised for sale are not as yet sold. I will sell them at a very low price, and give a reasonable time of payment for part of the money. The reason why I have not sold them was, that I would give no credit.

ANTHONY WINSTON.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *Chesterfield* county, a servant man, named WILLIAM ROLLINGS. He is of the middle statue, much marked with the smallpox, and is of a red complexion; had on when he went away a blanket great coat. Any person that will deliver him to me, or secure him in any of the gaols of this colony, so that I may get him, shall receive FORTY SHILLINGS reward. FRANCIS SMITH.

*** He came down as a waggoner with the *Chesterfield* volunteers, and was placed near the palace, and I suspect he is on board the man of war.

ESSEX county, *September* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the subscriber, about the middle of *July* last, a *Virginia* born negro lad, named NED, who is about 18 years of age, and about 5 feet high; one of his hands has a large scar, occasioned by its being burnt when he was a child, by which means some of his fingers grow together. He has a flat face and long head, which is remarkably sharp on the top. His clothes were such as is common for working negroes, and he was seen going down the country. Whoever will secure the said negro, so that I get him again, shall have a reward of FORTY SHILLINGS, besides what the law allows. tf JAMES EDMONDSON.

THE plantation, house, and all convenient outhouses, an exceeding fine peach orchard, where I now live, lately occupied by *William Goodall*, deceased, to be sold. My reason for selling the same is, that it is inconvenient to my business. Any person inclinable to become a purchaser may know the terms by applying to *William Johnson*, who resides in *James City* county.

STRAYED or stolen out of the governor's park, about a fortnight ago, a black horse, with three white feet, has a hanging mane and switch tail, a lump on his back just behind the saddle, a small white ring round his neck, occasioned by a rope, has a star in his forehead, and paces easy. Whoever brings him to Mr. *Walter Lenox*, in *Williamsburg*, if taken ten miles from the said city, shall have TEN SHILLINGS, and if a farther distance TWENTY SHILLINGS. tf JOHN HAWKINS.

IF the gentleman who advertises in this paper for a person capable of teaching the GREEK and LATIN languages will please to acquaint captain *Carr*, in *Dumfries*, with his terms, he will be waited upon, if the terms please, by a young man just arrived from *Britain*, who has had a regular education at the university, and who likewise has had a good deal of practice in teaching the above branches.

SURRY, *September* 15, 1775.

ON *Monday* the 20th of *November*, the subscriber, or some person for him, will attend at *Dinwiddie* court, and *Tuesday* and *Wednesday* following at *Simmons*'s tavern, to receive payment for the bonds due to captain *Thomas Holt*'s estate, for sundries sold at *Namozeen* plantation. In the absence of the subscriber from home, between the 20th of *November* and the 1st of *December*, the bonds due for the sale in *Surry* will be lodged in the hands of Mr. *William Harris*, to receive paymen. I desire the favour of all those who have any demands against the said *Holt* to produce them between the 1st of *December* and the 1st of *January*, properly authenticated, to receive payment, either in cash or bonds.

HENRY COCKE, administrator.

SURRY, *September* 15, 1775.

LANDED at *Lowpoint*, between 3 or 4 years ago, a cask of COPPERAS, from what vessel, or for whom, is not known. Any person, proving his pooperty, will be paid for it by applying to the subscribre, near *Cabin Point*. HENRY COCKE.

A MAN, with a small family, would gladly be employed in any gentleman's service, either in *Virginia* or *Carolina*, as a head overseer or steward, and will come well recommended. He understands surveying, and may be employed in that business. Apply to the printer, or the honourable *John Taylor*, esquire, in *Richmond*. He will write to any gentleman as soon as a letter comes to hand.

MANCHESTER, *July* 28, 1775.

A STOCKING WEAVER WILL MEET WITH ENCOURAGEMENT BY APPLYING TO
ALEXANDER AND PETERFIELD TRENT.

TO BE SOLD, IN AMHERST COUNTY,

ABOUT 4000 acres of exceeding good tobacco LAND, being part of a larger tract formerly advertised, together with a very valuable GRIST MILL, upon *Buffalo* river. This land is equal to any that has yet been sold of the tract. The time of payment will be made agreeable to purchasers. Mr. *Gabriel Penn*, who lives near the land, is authorized to bargain for it, and will shew it to any persons inclinable to purchase.

tf CARTER BRAXTON.